



Oak Lawn Cemetery and Arboretum, Inc.

1530 Bronson Road
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Fairfield, CT (5/10/2021) – On Saturday morning, May 8, 2021, at 8AM, Oak Lawn Cemetery and Arboretum hosted their annual Spring Bird Walk and Tree Tour. The tour was led by Milan Bull, a bird expert from the Connecticut Audubon Society and Don Parrott, a certified arborist and Oak Lawn Board member. A group of approximately forty people went on the tour that lasted just under ninety minutes. Both Milan and Don answered questions ranging from bird calls, sightings and the many different types of trees found at Oak Lawn.

The group spotted a swallow peeking out of one of the birdhouses that Don Parrott made and posted in the cemetery. A male bluebird was seen keeping watch by his nest that contained some unhatched eggs. As the group turned the bend by one of the ponds on the perimeter of the cemetery, Milan Bull pointed out a great blue heron that was seen sitting at the far end of the pond. A moment later the heron took flight.

As the group headed towards the Pollinator Garden, Don Parrott pointed out one of Oak Lawn’s Red oaks nestled just off the road. This tree has been documented as one of Connecticut’s largest Red oaks. Don also discussed with the group some of the diseases attacking Connecticut’s native trees and steps the public can take to help in the fight against destruction.

Below are some of the photographs that were taken on the tour by Richard Stone and Katie Hannigan. An educational and wonderful time was had by all. Attendees at the walk cannot wait for the next tour. Watch Oak Lawn’s website for future announcements.



Tree Swallow

Richard Stone



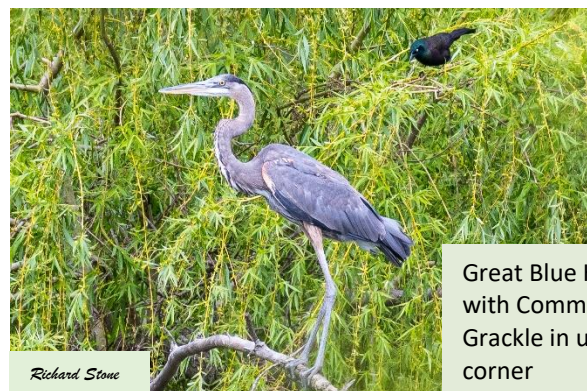
Red Winged Blackbird

Katie Hannigan



Male Bluebird

Richard Stone



Great Blue Heron with Common Grackle in upper corner

Richard Stone

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